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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed January 12, 2001, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. The response was initially due April 12, 2001. Applicants herein submit a petition for a three month extension of time to July 12, 2001, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Postcard
- Petition for 3 month extension of time
- "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made"

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